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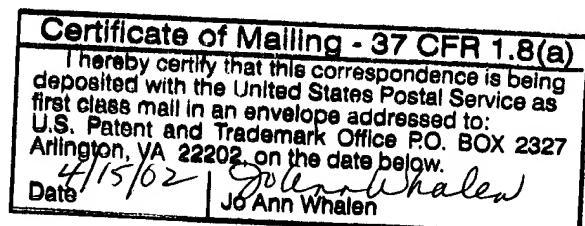
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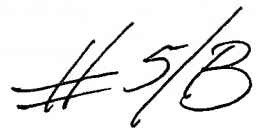
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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0051] beginning at page 10, line 7, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- The present invention can involve combining at least two, distinct GSB resistance gene loci into a single melon hybrid cultivar or variety in order to achieve enhanced GSB resistance in the hybrid. This can involve the combination of at least one monogenic dominant GSB resistance gene with at least one monogenic recessive GSB resistance gene in a single hybrid melon cultivar. Alternatively, at least one monogenic dominant GSB resistance gene is combined with at least one other distinct monogenic dominant GSB resistance gene in a single hybrid melon cultivar. In yet another embodiment, at least one monogenic recessive GSB resistance gene is combined with at least one other distinct recessive GSB resistance gene in a single hybrid melon cultivar. The monogenic dominant GSB resistance genes used for this aspect of the present invention may include,